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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 16, 2006

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of this application and <u>prior to</u>

<u>calculation of the filing fee</u>, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.